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NEW JERSEY TAXING THE BIG TRUSTS.

Like Connecticut, New Jersey needs ey and is looking for new or inased sources of revenue. Being the ne of most of the big corporations, it is natural that the state should ook to them for the funds needed. The Senate has, therefore, passed a bill which places a tax on franchises, based upon issued and outstanding stock. It applies only to corporations with sapital stock over \$5,000,000, and the The Clerical Change-Town Clerk Back rate is \$150 per \$1,000,000 of stock. This se of \$100, there now being tor of \$50 per \$1,000,000. That is, corporations chartered in New Jersey and having capital stock of \$5,000,000 or less will continue to pay \$50 per \$1,000,000... while those of over \$5,000,000 capital will pay \$150 per \$1,000,000. The new ax is applicable to about 200 corporations and will, it is estimated, yield out \$500,000 a year. Among these rations, the Steel Trust which w pays \$47,000 a year, will be comition of a direct State tax.

There is a partial similarity between is New Jersey tax, and the proposed corporation-excess' tax in Connectitation is, both are practically franchise taxes based upon outstanding the same house. Olaf B. Unberhagen is visiting B. Y. Berrian of Bridgeport. ek but the Connecticut bill goes rther by using as a basis the marues of stocks, which are in any instances greater than the par

There will quite probably be litigaion over the New Jersey bill, should It become a law, for the proposed inse is a discriminating tax, and the ts may overturn it. Certainly, with a corporation as the Steel Trust will be likely to seek a judicial test. New Jersey is the home of probably

sey and give other States a chance at the initial charges which have given New Jersey a very considerable reve-

The New Jersey House has voted to ermit Sunday ball games, with the ent of local authorities. Cities desire such recreation, can have their governments so decree. It not improbable that in due course of time, all cities will be given this local-option privilege.

Paper manufacturers are asking for retention of the present tariff duty on day. paper, while not antagonizing free wood-pulp. In other words, they desire free raw materials, but with the privilege of continuing the present prices on the finished product. By this means, they would pocket an additional profit. It is a most bare-faced exition of greed.

Nebraska is about to indulge in an experiment with the liquor trade. It is to allow saloons to be open from 7 a. m., to 8 p. m. only. We doubt very ch. the success of the experiment. It's full enforcement would require the services of two or three policemen to the average block. Men who desire stimulants in the evening will find some means of obtaining them.

An argument in support of the proposed increased duties on the which has just appeared, is that cerincreased duties on hosiery, big department stores in New York and Chicago maintain hosiery factories in Germany, and that the American manufacturers should be protected against them. Consumers are not likely to be much influenced by this argument, however it may have reached the judgment of the Ways and Means committee.

The latest objection to the tariff bill relates to the duties on chicory. It seems that the present duty on unground, dry chicory root is one cent a pound; the pending bill increases the duty to 5 cents a pound. It is urged that this would make the use of chioy a large home industry, and in adon would increase the cost of living se, mostly people of foreign firth, who use chicory with coffee in order to gain a characteristic flavor.

It is not at all surprising that Hartrd rejected no-license by a heavy najority. The wonder is that the adates of no-license gave the chalge for a test of public sentiment at Prohibition may be made aratively effective in small towns, ut is a farce in cities. In the latin revenue, with liquors, wines, etc. er sold surreptitiously or imported other places. Regulation of the tites of men by law can never made a success. Even in small where the sale may be effectual-

also in the Japanese are of jlu jitsu, as a means of retiring the billy and the THE FARMER PUBLISHING CO., nightstick from active service. This is a much better move than the revolver target practice which has been proposed in some quarters. If to it were added a requirement of running exercise, the result might be the capture of culprits who now escape, as well as a healthful reduction of the unduly large average avoirdupois.

Presumably at the suggestion of Germany, Austria may order the construction of three or more Dreadnaughts. This will reawaken the British apprehension of a loss of the much-boasted "two-nation naval power," for Austria and Germany are now, for international purposes, one nation, Another Brit-One Year in Advance. \$1.00 ish apprehension grows out of the German progress in aerial navigation. No other power has given this possible warlike agency so much attention or made so much progress. Nor has any other nation made such progress in the construction of guns for use against airships. There are now, it is said. Krupp guns which can destroy airships at a height of 6,000 feet, and it is a practical certainty that airships canot use bombs with sufficient precision at any greater height.

This country may also be interested in Germany's progress toward the position of the world's arbiter. That power has long cast covetous eyes upon South America, particularly Brazil and its clutch has only been prevented by the Monroe doctrine. With sufficient power, the Kaiser might even decide to defy that doctrine and its defender,

STRATFORD

-Easter Sunday Notes -Mr. Beach and Parcel Post-How to Cure a Deficit-Father Fitzpatrick.

Rev. J. W. Eggleston has been assigned by the conference to Orient, L. This is a small town of perhaps 1,000 inhabitants, located upon the rary at the meeting of the Library eastern extremity of the island, hence Board held a few days ago. Many of its name, not far from the town of Greenwich. It is close to the waters of the Sound and is considered to be pelled to pay \$134,000. The motive of the new tax is a desire to avoid the imposition of a direct State tax.

> There was a meeting on Tuesday of the executive board of the Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Congregational church, at the house of Mrs. George Spall, the object of the meeting being to lay out a program of social events to take place after Easter events to take place after Easter. There were services at Christ church this morning, and these will be repeat-

ed at 7:45 this evening. Tomorrow, Good Friday, there will be services at 10:30 a. m. and again at 7:45. On Easter Sunday there will be preaching and singing at the same hours.

Town Clerk H. P. Stagg arrived from New Jersey is the home of probably more corporations than any other state. Its laws were considered so incouraging that most of the big trusts hold charters under them. This proposed increase in the franchise tax may discourage the movement of sould-be corporations toward New Jersey and give other States a character. caught this time proved to be too much for one's stomach. When he struck Stratford it seemed as if the houses and churches were dancing a

library. Mrs. George K. Wilson is now able port breakwater. Some of them are to sit up two or three hours each decidedly fresh. All the same flatfish are said to be biting here and there.

It is known in town that Rev. E. E. And by the way, why not have the Farrer, of Quage, L. I., will be the new harbor dredged? When the machine pastor at the Methodist church. So is at work it looks as if something is one comes from Long Island and the being done,

Frederick C. Beach, having returned Child wedding on the 15th inst., at the from California, was in attendance at the lantern which threw the pictures the Sherman Parsonage. Miss Child on the screen during the recent lecture of the Passion Play.

This already received a large number of costly and beautiful presents, among

The pall bearers at the funeral of them a chest of silver from the parents Mrs. Fanny Field, on Tuesday, were of Mr. Ellis and a chest of linen from David L. Rhoades, Postmaster Bristol, Mrs. Samuel Wheeler. David L. Rhoades, Postmaster Bristol, William H. Curtis, Geo. T. Jewell, Henry Meachen, and Harry Griffin. Rev. Dr. Packard attended.

Recent visitors in town, as well as residents who have returned, include Miss Charlotte Smith, home from college. E. C. Rullard, Ir. and family in the coroning of the season. lege; E. C. Bullard, Jr., and family in the opening of the season. the F. C. Beach cottage; Mrs. Frank Mr. A. C. Acker has rented his cot-

St. James' choir is having prepared ly one.

musical program for Easter Sun
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a musical program for Easter Sunday.

Selectman Stacey is working the scrapers on some of the streets of the town.

The new organist at the Methodist church will be heard for the first time on Easter Sunday. Miss Rhoda King will have charge of the instrument.

Do not forget the last Assembly dance of the season on the 15th, if you are lucky enough to have an invitation.

The Grange will meet as usual next

Mr. Dwight R. Nichols of Boston is visiting his parents on Greenfield Hill.

The farmers on the hill have planted their peas. The ground is as yet a little too cold for potatoes.

This evening the Christian Endeavor society will meet at the residence of Mrs. David C. Smith, Greenfield Hill.

Miss Ida Wales has entered the Bridgeport Business College.

Mr. James A. Blackford and family have returned to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. William Frankenburg

It is now thought Rev. John Mac-Laren Richardson, of Bridgeport, will be the speaker before the next meeting of the Men's Club. He is a cousin of Mr. MacLaren Stevenson who is

Most the middle of May there will be a convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at St. John's church. Bridgeport, and the Brotherhood of Christ church in this town will assist as a part of the entertaining body.

Local railway business is improving, that for March being heavier than usual.

Miss Mary DeVine is able to be out

Ity stopped, those who desire liquors, manage to gratify their wish.

New York policemen are to be instructed in boxing and wrestling, and structed in boxing and wrestling in Elizaville, N. Y. She is one of our popular school teachers.

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good deal of literature on the sub-Mrs. George Cleveland is on the sick

Next Sunday afternoon the cantata of the "Resurrection" will be given at the Congregational church. recent visit of Frederick C. Beach, of this town, to Los Angeles, Cal., was in the interest of the Postal Progress League. He wished to look over the ground in that part of the country, and advise with those who believe in postal progress. Mr. Beach is convinced that if all postal facilities s convinced that if all postal facilities were utilized, loss would be eliminated from the post office department. He would make use of the rural mail de-livery to this end, and he would have the present rates and system of the post office department changed, and this is the object of the league with which he is connected. He says the rural delivery wagons, which now carry the mails, could just as well carry several hundred pounds of merchandise as 25 pounds of mail matter.

Local parcel deliveries, he believes, would wipe out the deficit in the post office department. While in Leasure office department. While in Los Angeles Mr. Beach visited several of the public schools and was a guest at a banquet given in his honor at Levys. Sunday evening last at St. James

introducing a brother priest, Father O'Connor said: "I wish to thank the newly-ordained priest, Rev. Father Fitzgerald, for this great privilege and to congratulate him and the members of his family upon his elevation to the elevation priesthood—the highest dignity of his family upon his elevation to the eternal priesthood—the highest dignity to which mortal man can aspire—a priest of God. in comparison with which "To mould a mighty State's decree or shape the whisper of a throne' dwindles into including dwindles into insignificance. dwindles into insignificance. We rejoice, especially with his sister, Mrs. Daniel Cooney, a member and a splendid worker of this parish, in this her happiest moment, the ordination of her brother to the priesthood. With every good wish, we pray that Father Fitzgerald may be spared for many years to the greater honor and glory of God and the salvation of immortal souls."

FAIRFIELD

D. A. R. Notes-The Greenfield Grange -Fish Stories - Wedding Presents —The Immigration Ouestion—Notes of Persons

Something like 150 new books were ordered to be purchased for the libthese are-up-to-date scientific works and books on sanitary science.
Yesterday men were at work with

teams on the grounds south of the li-brary building, regrading them, and putting them into condition so that the fence can be moved back and en-close all that belongs to the institu-The delegates to the coming convention at Washington from the D. A. R.'s of this town will be Miss Loretta Perry and Miss Emma A. Brown. Some of the friends of Miss Kippen have been trying to induce her to attend but

she does not expect to do so.

Every few days someone comes to town to look over the place, hoping to find an opening for some sort of a bus-iness. The trouble is there are no emp-ty houses suitable for the purpose. At the meeting of the Daughters of he American Revolution on Tuesday Miss Loretta Perry gave a very inter-esting report of the state meeting re-cently held at Bristol, which she at-

houses and churches were dancing a fig. and the old ledges and fields had grown silly and dizzyi It will take a day or two for those who outrode the storm to get their brains calmed down and their pulse into a normal condition. The Grange of Greenfield Hill held a meeting at their hall on Tuesday evening, when the speakers were Postmaster Pickett and Attorney Clitus H. King, both practical and extensive farmers. Mr. Pickett knows the best through the meils and their puise into a normal condition.

Alden Coe was visiting in West Haven yesterday.

Rev. J. W. Eggleston is back from a week in Stamford.

Miss Russell was able to be out yesterday but it will be fully a week yet before the resumes her duties at the library.

I armers. Mr. Pickett knows the best way to send seeds through the mails, and Mr. King can issue an injunction, if there is likely to be an early frost. Seriously, it is said both addresses were practical, useful and interesting. There was a large gathering of the Greenfield farmers and their sons.

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other goes there.

The lecture on "Uncle Sam's Farm" at the Neighborhood church will not be given on Good Friday, but a week

Naturally the most interesting event for the coming week will be the Ellis-

L. Hansen from Norwich; Rudolph Heig; Miss Mildred Fryer from Branford; and the Beach family from Calson gives promise of being a very live-

The Grange will meet as usual next Saturday evening. The topic for discussion has not been made public.

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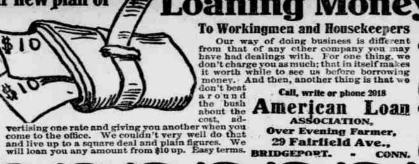
Miss Helen Whetmore has gone back to Saratoga. She was amnzed not to find more large hotels in town, but she thought the Sund takes the cake when compared with Saratoga Lake.

Mrs. Falken and her daughters are said to be making a brief visit out of town. Donald is hardly expected home before Easter. He is in New York city, and engaged in what is called palace car promoting.

Mkhat can they do to us? What will be the effect of the amalgamation of so many races? Some one has said it will alter the shape of the human skull, of the legs and the hands. Mrs. Mitchell did not think it matters so much about the shape of the skull as what there is inside of it. And she was sure ones legs will always be large enough to reach the ground. One of the deplorable effects socially is the sweating system and the employment of child labor. Work is done in unsanitary houses, low wages are NEW YORK CITY. are making a brief visit in New York.

The local baseball team has made a number of dates for the rest of this basting threads! Then the burden of charity forced upon the American per

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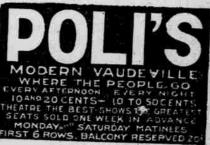
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